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TESTIMONIALS

OF

M. FRIEDEBERGER, PH.D.,

THE UNIVERSITY OF BERNE;

SOMETIME STUDENT OF THE UNIVERSITY OF BRESLAU;
MEMBER OF THE COLLEGE OF TEACHERS OF THE DEAF AND DUMB, LONDON;
LATE PRINCIPAL OF THE EDINBURGH ARTICULATION SCHOOL FOR THE DEAF;
FORMERLY LECTURER AT THE EALING TRAINING COLLEGE FOR TEACHERS OF THE DEAF;
SOMETIME FIRST ASSISTANT MASTER AT THE JEWS' DEAF AND DUMB HOME, LONDON;

AUTHOR OF

"The Education of Deaf-Mutes of Feeble Mind" (*Report of Conference of Headmasters, London*, 1890);

"The Art of Articulation and How to Cultivate the Voice of the Deaf" (*Quarterly Review of Deaf-Mute Education*, Nos. 23 and 24, London, 1891);

"Zur Psychologie der Sprache mit besonderer Rücksicht auf die Zungensprache der Taubstummen" (Berne, 1896).

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FIRST-CLASS CERTIFICATE

FROM THE

College of Teachers of the Deaf and Dumb

(INCORPORATED),

PADDINGTON GREEN, LONDON, W.

THIS is to certify that MAURICE FRIEDEBERGER has passed an examination of the College in the following subjects, so as to satisfy the Examiners that he is qualified to practise as a teacher of the Deaf and Dumb:—

1. History of Education.
2. Principles of Education.
3. Intuitive Method of teaching Language.
4. Practical instruction of Class.
5. Mechanism of Speech.
6. Method of teaching Articulation.

THOMAS ARNOLD, Northampton.

RICHARD ELLIOT,
Headmaster, Asylum for the Deaf and Dumb, Old Kent Road, London, and Margate.

JAMES HOWARD,
Headmaster, Yorkshire Institution for the Deaf and Dumb, Doncaster.

WILLIAM SLEIGHT,
Headmaster, Institution for the Deaf and Dumb, Brighton.

WILLIAM STAINER,
Superintendent of Instruction of the Deaf and Dumb, School Board for London.

Examiners.

Given under the Seal of the College,

WM WOODALL, *President.*

July 1888.

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From Sir PHILIP MAGNUS, *President of the City and Guilds of London Institute; President of the Jews' Deaf and Dumb Home, &c.*

16 GLOUCESTER TERRACE,
HYDE PARK, W., 1*st June* 1896.

MR M. FRIEDEBERGER was trained as a teacher of Deaf-Mutes at the Jews' Deaf and Dumb Home, where he resided from 1885 to 1888. During part of that time he acted as Assistant Master to Mr Schöntheil, the Principal.

Mr FRIEDEBERGER is a man of considerable intellectual activity, of quick perception, and of good education. The Committee of the Home were quite satisfied with his abilities as a teacher, and he took with him their best wishes when he left the Home to occupy an important position at the Ealing Training College for Teachers of the Deaf.

PHILIP MAGNUS.

Extracts from Report of Executive Committee of Ealing Training College for Teachers of the Deaf.

"The premature death of Mr Arthur Kinsey, the able Principal of the Ealing College, has thrown a heavy responsibility upon the Committee.

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"Under the special circumstances in which they were placed, the Committee have felt it desirable to continue the work of training students and the routine work of the School with as few changes as practicable.

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"The Committee have appointed Mr M. FRIEDEBERGER, who has acted for three years as Mr Schöntheil's Assistant at the Jews' School for the Deaf and Dumb, to take charge of the training of the students and instructing them in the *pure oral system*, of which he is an able and experienced exponent. He has studied at the University of Breslau, and had the opportunity of seeing the working of the German method in the best schools abroad, among them Osnabrück, where Mr Kinsey was trained. He also holds a First-Class Certificate as a qualified teacher of the Deaf."

Signed on behalf of the Committee,

E. SYMES THOMPSON,
Chairman.

From the TRAINING COLLEGE FOR TEACHERS OF THE DEAF, *Ealing.*

1 GIRDLER'S ROAD, WEST KENSINGTON,
LONDON, W., 16*th April* 1891.

MY DEAR SIR,—I am desired by the Committee of the Ealing Training College for Teachers of the Deaf to assure you that during the twelve months during which you gave lectures at the College they were fully satisfied with the ability and intelligence your lectures exhibited, and with your punctuality, method, and courtesy, and wish you every success in any appointment you may seek.—Yours faithfully,

ARTHUR S. THOMPSON,
Hon. Sec.

M. FRIEDEBERGER, Esq.

From T. W. TODRICK, Esq., *Procurator-Fiscal, Haddington.*

HADDINGTON, *8th June* 1896.

MR M. FRIEDEBERGER, Ph.D., conducted a school in Edinburgh for the education of the deaf on the pure oral system from October 1891 until May 1896.

I was associated along with another gentleman in the summer of 1891, with the object of obtaining a good teacher for a private school, then in existence, and from a number of applicants we selected Mr FRIEDEBERGER as being the best teacher we could obtain.

Having a son at Mr FRIEDEBERGER'S school, I was frequently there, and had ample opportunity of seeing the methods upon which he carried on his teaching, and the progress made by his pupils.

Mr FRIEDEBERGER was most devoted to his work, and to the interests of the children entrusted to him, and I have the very highest opinion of his abilities as a teacher, and of the work he did while in Edinburgh.

In the case of my own son as well as of other of his pupils (both those who came to Mr FRIEDEBERGER as beginners, as well as those who had already received instruction from other teachers) the progress made in language and articulation, as well as in general knowledge, was eminently satisfactory.

There was also the strongest evidence that cordial relations existed between Mr FRIEDEBERGER and his pupils, and that, through the methods of teaching which were adopted, the pupils were interested in, and thoroughly enjoyed their school life.

T. W. TODRICK.

From SALIS FALK, Esq., *London.*

25 CLIFTON GARDENS, MAIDA HILL,
LONDON, W., 19*th June* 1891.

MR SALIS FALK has much pleasure in recommending Mr FRIEDEBERGER as a thoroughly good teacher for the Deaf and Dumb.

He has been the tutor to Mr Falk's son for the last two years and a half, and during that time he has brought him on in general knowledge which enables him to take a keen interest in books, newspapers, &c. Mr Falk's son is nearly eighteen years old, and he speaks well of his tutor's kindness, and of the patience he exercises during lesson hours.

From A. C. KERR, Esq., *Edinburgh.*

ST HELEN'S, MERCHISTON,
EDINBURGH, 23*rd May* 1896.

MY little daughter began the oral system under Mr FRIEDEBERGER'S tuition. She made rapid progress, her pronunciation being distinct. Her voice was very unpleasant before she began lessons, and Mr FRIEDEBERGER was successful in overcoming this defect.

We have noticed great improvement in her speaking, and what is most gratifying, she seems to thoroughly understand the meaning of what she says.

I consider Mr FRIEDEBERGER well qualified to impart instruction in this system.

A. C. KERR.

From Mrs R. M. COWAN, *Edinburgh.*

12 CHURCH HILL,
EDINBURGH, *3rd January* 1896.

DEAR SIR,—I can with satisfaction say that my son has made very great progress, both in speech and in knowledge, during the four years he has been under your tuition.

From what I have seen of your method, I believe that the oral system would be still more satisfactory with a deaf child who *began* under your teaching.—Believe me, yours faithfully,

R. M. COWAN.

M. FRIEDEBERGER, Esq.

From Mrs M. B. ALLAN, *Widow of the late Surgeon-General Allan, Edinburgh.*

KILTEARN, 16 NILE GROVE,
EDINBURGH, 23*rd May* 1896.

DEAR MR FRIEDEBERGER,—It is with great pleasure that I beg to say that I consider you one of the best teachers of the deaf I have come across, and I know a number of them.

My daughter was only about a year with you, but I daresay she would have been your pupil still had it not been for the circumstances into which I was placed, which you know, and about which you were both kind and generous in your treatment of her.

With kind regards, I am, yours sincerely,

M. B. ALLAN.

From Mrs F. S. MACKENZIE, *Edinburgh.*

BLAIR LODGE, BLACKFORD ROAD,
EDINBURGH, 21*st February* 1896.

MRS F. S. MACKENZIE has much pleasure in testifying that Dr FRIEDEBERGER unites with the qualifications indispensable in every teacher, such rare and superior qualities as make him a most suitable and successful tutor for those deprived of the power of one of their senses.

She has been so fortunate as to obtain his excellent services for instructing two of her own children, afflicted with deafness from early childhood, and is happy to state that the results he has achieved in their education on the pure oral system are unsurpassed. They have been under his tuition for more than three years ; their speech is distinct, easy, and natural, and their command and knowledge of the vernacular highly satisfactory.

In full justice, Mrs Mackenzie can but say from her own personal experience, that she considers Dr FRIEDEBERGER an acquisition, for with a highly cultured mind and gift for imparting knowledge, he brings to bear upon his teaching kind patience and encouraging sympathy, and thus establishes in his lessons both a thorough understanding, and, moreover, that cordial union between himself and his pupils, which the latter appreciate not less than their mother.

From P. M'BRIDE, Esq., M.D., F.R.C.P.E., F.R.S.E., &c.,
Aurist, Edinburgh.

16 CHESTER STREET,
EDINBURGH, 20*th May* 1896.

I HAVE much pleasure in stating that I consider Mr FRIEDEBERGER a most accomplished teacher of the Deaf and Dumb.

I have had occasion to put many patients under him, and have been very satisfied with the result.

I have no doubt that, if appointed by the London School Board, he will discharge the duties of his post with great efficiency.

P. M'BRIDE.

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From Sir HENRY PETO, Bart., *Weymouth.*

FLEET HOUSE,
WEYMOUTH, 10*th October* 1891.

DEAR MR FRIEDEBERGER,—I am glad to hear you have well started at Edinburgh. I have a very pleasant recollection of the pains you took to help me to attain success in Lip-reading, and I owe much to the patience you kindly took with me; for it is much more difficult to take up, when one has to depend upon it late in life, as in my case.

You will be glad to know my friends notice a great improvement in my Lip-reading ability.—Yours very truly,

HENRY PETO.

From Miss J. MACKAY, *Edinburgh.*

37 ST ANDREW SQUARE,
EDINBURGH, 21*st May* 1896.

I HAVE for the past few months had daily tuition in Lip-reading from Dr M. FRIEDEBERGER, and testify with great pleasure to his thorough and painstaking method of teaching this branch of the oral system.

Although not yet proficient in Lip-reading,—weak eyes having somewhat retarded me,—I feel that I have already made much progress towards this desirable end.

From my own experience as one of his pupils, I have formed the opinion that Dr FRIEDEBERGER possesses a thorough knowledge of his profession—the result, I am sure, of a profound and conscientious study of the difficulties to be overcome and of the best way in which these difficulties may be lessened for his pupils.

I may mention that Dr FRIEDEBERGER possesses never-failing patience and the pleasing gift of making his tuition most interesting,—qualities not to be despised by those anxious to acquire Lip-reading, or any other branch of the oral system, as otherwise the prolonged nature of the instruction might be liable to prove very fatiguing.

In every way I consider Dr FRIEDEBERGER a most capable and conscientious teacher.

JENNIE MACKAY.

From Miss E. M. LONGMUIR, *Stonehaven.*

ROSEBRAE HOUSE,
STONEHAVEN, 28*th May* 1896.

DEAR SIR,—I have much pleasure in saying that I derived great benefit from your lessons in Lip-reading. I find myself becoming more and more expert as time goes on.

Owing to the interest you took, and the care and pains you bestowed on me, the lesson hour passed very quickly, and I shall always be glad I had a course of instruction from you.

I may say that if I do not see the person who is speaking I am quite at a loss, whereas if I see them I can manage very well.

Wishing you every success in your new appointment, and with kind regards, I remain, yours sincerely,

E. M. LONGMUIR.

M. FRIEDEBERGER, Esq.

From E. CHALMERS, Esq., *Managing Director of E. Chalmers & Co. Limited, Leith.*

7 SUMMERSIDE STREET,
LEITH, 19*th May* 1896.

I HAVE much pleasure in testifying to the valuable instruction in Lip-reading that I have received from Dr FRIEDEBERGER.

He appears to me to possess a thorough insight into the oral system of teaching the deaf, or those who, like myself, are dull of hearing, and I am convinced that he is a fully competent teacher in every respect.

I look forward with every assurance to becoming an expert lip-reader, owing to the assistance Dr FRIEDEBERGER has rendered me.

E. CHALMERS.

From Miss J. GIFFEN, *Broomknowe, Prestwick.*

BROOMKNOWE,
PRESTWICK, N.B., *22nd May* 1896.

AS one of Dr FRIEDEBERGER'S pupils, I have much pleasure in testifying to his high abilities as a teacher of Lip-reading. His method is simple and practical, and, for myself, I have greatly benefited by his instruction. His patience and thoroughness are only surpassed by the clearness of his explanations and the comprehensiveness of his lectures. He is not only master of his subject, but is also very efficient in imparting it to others.

While under his tuition I experienced great kindness from him, and am very pleased to have this opportunity of expressing my regard for his character and teaching abilities.

JANIE GIFFEN.

From HELY H. ALMOND, Esq., M.A. (Oxon.), LL.D. (Glas.), *Headmaster of Loretto School, Midlothian.*

NORTH ESK LODGE,
MUSSELBURGH, 20*th May* 1896.

MR FRIEDEBERGER has had entire charge of one of my own boys for several months, and the boy still goes to him for weekly lessons. He has done him an immense amount of good.

One of my colleagues who taught my boy for some time used to say that it was a hopeless case of stammering. Mr FRIEDEBERGER has shewn that it was not hopeless. The boy now speaks quite well enough to say his work in form and to carry on conversation.

The boy was extremely happy when in Mr FRIEDEBERGER'S house, and felt it to be quite a second home.

My wife, who is at present from home, has frequently spoken to me in the most enthusiastic terms of Mr FRIEDEBERGER in both the important capacities in which we have had to do with him and as a man and a friend.

HELY H. ALMOND.

From J. J. COWAN, Esq., *Edinburgh*

38 WEST REGISTER STREET,
EDINBURGH, 25*th May* 1896.

DEAR SIR,—I have much pleasure in giving testimony to the excellent results attained by your teaching of articulation after the adjustment of an artificial palate.

My son greatly profited by the instruction he received from you, which was very necessary.

He had no other teacher, and I think he now articulates as distinctly as most persons having natural palates, and much more carefully than many.

With my best wishes for your success in London, I am, yours faithfully,

J. J. COWAN.

M. FRIEDEBERGER, Esq., Ph.D., &c.

From Mrs Andrew Brown, *Galashiels.*

Maryfield, Galashiels, N.B.,
23rd May 1896.

Mrs Andrew Brown has much pleasure in stating her experience and opinion of Dr Friedeberger's method of teaching.

At the recommendation of Dr M'Bride, of Chester Street, Edinburgh, Mrs Brown placed her little son (aged six), who suffered from imperfect articulation to such an extent as to be unintelligible, with Dr Friedeberger. After a course of lessons extending over two months and a half (two hours daily), a remarkable improvement was effected; the child pronounced distinctly, and now speaks well.

From the eminently satisfactory results attained, Mrs Brown formed the highest opinion of Dr Friedeberger's method, and of his ability in applying it. Dr M'Bride also expressed his thorough satisfaction with the result of Dr Friedeberger's teaching.

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